A PROCLAMATION

Requiring all the Heretors and Free-holders, and Militia of the Kingdom of Scotland *to be in a readineſs to come out in their beſt Arms and provided (upon Advertiſement) for His Majeſties Service.*

JAMES, by the Grace of God King of *Great-Britain*, *France* and *Ireland*, Defender of the Faith; To Macers of Our Privy Council, or Meſſengers at Arms, Our Sheriffs in that part, conjunctly and ſeverally, ſpecially conſtitute, Greeting: Forasmuch as we being reſolved that in the preſent exigence of Affairs, all Our Subjects, and particularly Heretors and Free-holders, and Our Militia, ſhould be in a readineſs, in Defence of Us and Our Government, Do therefore, with Advice of Our Privy Coucil, hereby peremptorily Require and Command all Heretors and Free-holders within this Our Realm, above one hundred pounds *Scots* valued yearly Rent, to be in a Readineſs, ſufficiently Armed and Provided to come out on Horſe-back, with their Followers and Servants, and with twenty Dayes Proviſion, to attend Our Army, on twenty four hours Advertiſement, and to March and obey ſuch Orders as they ſhall recieve from Our Council, or one of Our general Officers, and herein they are not to fail, as they will Anſwer at their higheſt Peril, And under the Pains and Certifications appointed by the Laws of this Kingdom, againſt Abſents from Our *Hoſt*: and that neither the ſaid Heretors and Free-holders, nor theſe concerned in the Out-reik of Our Militia, may pretend excuſe, either as to the want of Arms or Amunition or ſuch Warlike Proviſions, We hereby allow them to be readily furniſhed therewith, forth of the Magazine of Our Caſtle of *Edinburgh*, and Our other Magazines, at the ordinary Rates; Declaring, that all ſuch as ſhall not be ſufficiently Armed and provided as ſaid is, that they ſhall be holden and repute as Abſents from Our *Hoſt*, and be proceeded againſt and puniſhed accordingly; And We, but prejudice of the generality aforeſaid, being reſolved that the Hereitors and Free-holders of the Shiers underwritten, in place of the Militia Horſe ſhould come out, under the Command of the perſons following, *viz.* Theſe of the Shires of *Roſs*, *Southerland* and *Caithneſs*, under the Command of the Earl of *Caithneſs*; Theſe of the Earl of *Seafort*, and *Lovats* part of *Inverneſs* Shire, under the Command of the Lord *Lovat*'s Tutors or Factors: Theſe of the Shires of *Elgine*, *Nairn*, and the other part of *Inverneſs* Shire, under the Command of the Lord [illegible] *fits*: Theſe of the Shire of *Aberdene*, not being *Mariſchals* part, and the Shire of *Bamff*, under the Command of the Duke of *Gordon*: Theſe of the Shire of *Kinnardin* and *Mariſchals* part of *Aberdene*, under the Command of the Earl of *Kintor*, or the Lord *Inverury* his Son: Theſe of the Shire of *Perth* under the Command of the Lord Marqueſs of *Athol*, Lord Privy-Seal, (who is alſo conform to a Commiſſion of Lieutenency, for the Shires of *Argile*, and *Tarbot*, under Our Royal Hand, Dated at *White-hall* the fourth Inſtant, to Call out all the fencible Men in the Shires of *Perth*, *Argile* and *Tarbot*, to his aſſiſtance, in proſecution thereof:) Theſe of the Shire of *Forfar*, under the Command of the Earl of *Southesk*, or the Lord *Carnagy* his Son: Theſe of the Shires of *Fife* and *Kinroſſe*, under the Command of Sir *Charles Halket* of *Pitfirrin*: Theſe of the Shires of *Stirling* and *Clackmannan*, under the Command of *William Livingſton* of *Kilſyth*: Theſe of the Shire of *Roxburgh*, under the Command of the Earl of *Lotham*: Theſe of the Shire of *Linlithgow*, under the Command of the Earl of *Linlithgow*: Theſe of the Shire of *Peebles*, under the Command of the Laird of *Drumelzier*: Theſe of the Shire of *Mid-Lothian*, under the Command of the Earl of *Lauderdale*: Theſe of the Shire of *Eaſt-Lothian* under the Command of the Lord *Yeſter*: And theſe of the Shire of *Berwick*, under the Command of the Laird of *Langtoun* Elder: As alſo, that the Militia Regiments of Foot, of the Shires under-written, ſhould come out under the Command of their Collonels Reſpective, *viz.* The Militia Regiment of the Shire of *Forfar*, under the Cammand of the Earl of *Strathmore*: That Malitia Regiment of the Shire of *Perth*, belonging to the Lord Chancellor, under the Command of his Lieutenant Collonel: Theſe of the Shires of *Stirling* and *Clackmannan*, under Command of the Lord *Elphingſtoun*: The Militia Regiments of the Shires of *Linlithgow* and *Peebles*, under Command of the Duke *Hamilton*: The Malitia Regiment of the Shire of *Berwick*, under the Command of the Earl of *Home*: The Militia Regiment of the Shire of *Mid-Lothian*, under the Command of the Lord *Collingtoun*: The Militia Regiment of the Shire of *Eaſt-Lothian*, under the Command of the Earl of *Wintoun*: And the Regiment of the Town of *Edinburgh*, under the Command of the Lord Provoſt of *Edenburgh*. We hereby require and Command the ſaid Heretors and Free-holders, and Malitia Regiments forſaid, to be in a readineſs to Rendezvous, or March as they ſhall be Required by their ſaid Commanders, or Collonels reſpective, The Militia being to Rendezvouz at the ordinary place for the firſt Diet upon the nineteenth of *May* inſtant, and the Heretors and Free-holders, as ſhall be appointed by their Commanders, they being alwayes Armed and provided in manner, and under Cirtifications above-written. And that this our Pleaſure may be known: Our Will is, and We Charge you ſtrictly and Command, that incontinent, theſe Our Letters ſeen, ye paſs to the Mercat Croſs of *Edinburgh*, and all other Mercat Croſſes of the Head Burghs of the Shires of this Kingdom, and other places needful, and there by open Proclamation, in Our Name and Authority, make publication of the Premiſſes, that all perſons concerned may have notice thereof, and give due and exact Obedience thereto.

Given under our Signet at *Edinburgh*, the eleventh day of *May*, 1685. And of Our Reign, the firſt year.

Per actum Dominorum Secreti Concilij.
COL. MACKENZIE, *Cls. Sti. Concilij.*

GOD ſave the KING.

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